

# 2004 ENVIRONMENTAL AND CONSERVATION STEWARDSHIP AWARDS

## Agriculture/Forestry Stewardship Award



### **PURPOSE:**

To recognize individuals or firms engaged in agricultural or forestry operations that have performed long-term environmental and/or conservation practices for their land resources.

### **ELIGIBLE NOMINATIONS:**

Individuals, groups or corporations involved in agricultural or forestry operations that have completed outstanding management or conservation projects. The nomination should include a short description of the nominee. There may be a separate award in this category for East, Middle, and West Tennessee.

### **JUDGING CRITERIA:**

1. The environmental benefits (including estimates of the quantity of environmental pollution prevented, the amount of environmental protection, or the amount of environmental enhancement).
2. The extent to which the project represents an innovative approach.
3. The economic, recreational, or educational benefits.
4. The level of management or individual commitment to environmental stewardship.
5. The size of the facility, operation, or corporation versus the size of the project.
6. The ability of the project to address multiple environmental, recreational, and economic goals, or a mixture thereof.
7. The history of excellence in environmental stewardship in all environmental areas.

*Sample Projects:* (may include but are not limited to): Soil erosion control, woodlands development, reforestation, wilderness area preservation, recreational development, habitat improvement, watershed and wetlands development or protection, waste minimization, and best management practices which maintain or improve the quality of land and related resources.